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⊀IGHT HAS BEGUN OVER REPEAL BILL

First Gun Fired In Senate Yesterday and Long Struggle Will Follow.

ABOUT LOBBYISTS AND LEGISLATORS

Many Former Members, Now Representatives of Private Interests, Have Privileges of Floor, and May Pursue Members to Desks If They Wish.

paralleling of the Richmond, Fredicksburg and Potomac Railway, and the House some last shots were vict road force by adding those con-ts who have been sentenced to terms

any legislator, it being considered better that all such discussions of public matters should be in public before the committees. There does not seem to be any necessity for such a law here, but there have been frequent complaints that the work of the Legislature has been interfered with by some persons whose clients are interested in pending legislation. legislation.

The Repeal Bill.

The repeal bill in the Senate, as it is being called for the sake of brevity, got a good sond-off yesterday in Senator Sim's speech, which was clear, earnest and forceable. He did not descend greatly into detail, but proscialmed the broad proposition that the State should play no favorite among the railroads, and should not cripple in important and historic section of the Commonwealth for the sake of enriching five-sixths of the stockholders of the road, and incidentally of enrhancing the value of her own one-sixth interest.

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Two riders to the bill were offered, one by Sénator Saunders, which is the Elyans-Lewis bill heretore introduced in the House, and the other by Senator Halsey, who allows paralleling uncouditionally by electric roads, but forbids the building of a parallel steam road until the stock of the State is bought at \$2,000,000, or a road is first built which develops territory not now having railroad facilities. These will be sure to cause extended debate.

The advocates of unconditional repeal assert that thirty-nine members of the Senate and sixty-five members of the Use have expressed them, selves as favorable to such repeal. If that be the case, it would seem to be useless for the opposition to prolong the discussion very greatly.

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To-day the social clubs will have an iming before the Finance Committee of the Senate in regard to Senator Mann's bill to place all such clubs practically under the law regulating satically under the law regulating sa-

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COMPANY IS FORMED

National Negro Maseum and Art School for Richmond.

Under the name of the Negro Development Corporation a stock company, with the stated purpose of establishing and maintaining in Richmond a museum and school of art, to be known as the National Negro Musuem, secured a charter yesterday from the State Corporation Commission. The officers are W. I. Johnson, president, D. Webster Davis, vice-president, and R. T. Hill, secretary.

The principal coject which the officers, who are among the most respected and influential colored citizens of Richmond, have in .ew, is to transport the Jamestown negro exhibit to this city and make a permanent feature of it. Negotiations are now under way for the purpose of getting the government to donate the building at Jamestown as well as the exhibit. In the ovent that this is cone—and there is now every prospect that it will be done—the building and its contents will be brought here as soon as possible, and will be ... tup in a conspicuous part of the city. To the exhibit will be added from time to time articles showing the progress of the negroes, especially, along industral lines. The premoters of the scheme think that great benefit will result to their race by showing in the capital of

is thought that sufficient funds can be raised to carry the project through.

NO RECONSTRUCTION LAWS

The word of two Democratic Sens-tors is the authority for the statement that the Senate will hardly pass the bill, so all the work done upon it will come to naught unless the indicated changes are made.

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FOR ROAD TO MOUNT VERNON

"THOU SHALT NOT STEAL" BRYAN'S TEXT

Gambling in Stocks is Form of Larceny, He Declared.

MONTE CARLO MILD TO NEW YORK CITY

Asserted That Stock Exchange Had Graduated More Embez-zlers Than Fagin's School Had Turned Out Thieves. Denounces Trading in

the Eighth Commandment as his text

REPORT 10.000 KILLED

MILLER'S TRIAL DEFERRED

Orange Trial Goes Over Till March.
Be Tried is Albemaric First.
ORANGE, VA., Fobiary 1.—Judge Orlinsicy opened the Circuit Court of Orange, county to day for the trial of Charies Miller, the much advertised prisoner, charged with numerous thetrs of bagga-ge, who has beer, confined in the kilemmond city jail since his extraution trom Engiand. To the great disapponitment of the large crowd who had assembled to see the prisoner, the case was continued, on motion of the Commonweatth until the march term, on the ground that necessary without the same tree, and because further decession of Miller awaiting his trial was unnecessary. The case, was continued.

The defense fought the motion to remain the prisoner to bail, so Miller will be in the city jail, and the case will be called upranew in March.
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Whip Two Men Nearly to Desth and Notify One to Leave.

SALEM, KY. February 4.—Two hundred masked "night riders" visited Dycusburg, Ky., early this imorning and hurned Benn to tobacco wave, house and distillery. Loss \$10,500. The mob shot up the home of William Groves, foreman of the tobacco factory, driving him from the building, and when captured he was whipped almost to death. Henry Bennett, a member of the firm of Bennett Bros., was taken from his home, tled to a tree and severely whipped. He was left bound to the tree. Bennett Bros. operate an independent factory, and have been buying tobacco from non-association growers, it is claimed. When the mob called at Mr. Groves shouse they requested him to come out. He declined to do so, and shooting at rome began. Mr. Groves was in a room

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Steamer Not Able to See the & Morehouse Co., the Charles C. Copeland Co., and the P. R. Master Co., all

BURNING OF ST. CUTHBERT

FIREMEN TRAPPED

goods firm, at 43 Worth Street, in the heart of the wholesale dry goods district. Fireman Frank Eglanton is missing and is believed to be in the ruins. The monetary loss is estimated at \$200,000.

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The firemen fought the flames in the bitter cold weather, which froze the water in the standpipes and made the pressure inadequate to confine the fire to the third floor, where it started. The injured were found lying beneath the ruins in pools of fast freezing water.

the fire spread rapidly, and the em-ployes in the building had to make a hurried exit. As they were escaping from the place the cable of an ele-

DON'T LIKE MATTEAWAN

NEVER WIRED CLARK, JUDGE RHEA STATES

Submits Telegraphic Correspondence With Reference to Message.

ABOUT SCOTT COUNTY BALLOT

Declares That He Had Nothing to Do With It, and That It Did Him More Harm Than It Did His Opponents. Session Tame Last Night.

With the cross-examination of Judge W. F. Rhea by Captain Builitt as the feature of its session last night, the that it was important to them to have Captain J. C. Gent, of Russell, and Captain Joslin, of Lee. Both have been

sel, and though no definite conclusion located. Though badly injured, it believed that the rescued men will stood that both sides desired to subject. The building had been mittee.

is believed that the rescued men will recover. The building had been ruined before the fire was controlled.

ICE TRUST MEN JALED

Three Men in Toledo are Given Six Menths in Prison.

TOLEDO, O., February 4.—Roland Beard and Compton Lemman, of the Hygeia Ice Company; Joseph Miller, manager of the Toledo ice and Cost Company, were to-day sentenced to six months in the county fail and to pay costs of prosecution by Judge Kinkade for conspiracy in the restraint of trade, These men were found gülity last June and at that time Judge Kinkade sentenced each of them to six kade sentenced each of them to six kade sentenced each of them to six minds and the six months in the county fail and to play costs of prosecution by Judge Kinkade for conspiracy in the restraint of trade, These men were found gülity last June and at that time Judge Kinkade sentenced each of them to six had been to six months in the county fail and to which Hongales in the six months in the county fail and to which Hongales in the six months in the county fail and to which Hongales in the controlled.

The cross-examination of Judge Rhea by Captain Buillite (urnished the only real interest in what was after all a paintuily dull session, for the prosecution did not feweal any matter heretofore brought out in the inquiry. Before any witnesses were examined Judge Rhea asked to be allowed to submit some telegraphic correspondence concerning the telegraphic correspondence concerni